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The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad,[1] the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the Mission[2] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1778 (2007) of 25 September 2007, by which the Council established in Chad and the Central African Republic a multidimensional presence, including a United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1923 (2010) of 25 May 2010, by which the Security Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 December 2010, decided to reduce the military component of the Mission to 2,200 military personnel and called upon the Secretary-General to complete withdrawal of all uniformed and civilian components, other than those required for the Mission's liquidation, by 31 December 2010,

Recalling also its resolution 62/233 A of 22 December 2007 on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 63/274 B of 30 June 2009,

[1] A/64/556.
[2] A/64/783.
[3] A/64/660/Add.15.

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Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007 and 64/____ of _____, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad as at 30 April 2009, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 48.8 million United States dollars, representing some 4 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only thirty-five Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of the facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Acknowledges with appreciation* that the use of the logistics hub at Entebbe, Uganda, has been cost-effective and has resulted in savings for the United Nations, and welcomes the expansion of the logistics hub to provide logistical support to peacekeeping operations in the region and to contribute further to their

enhanced efficiency and responsiveness, taking into account the ongoing efforts in this regard;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandate;

11. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

12. *Takes note* of paragraph 24 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[3]

13. *Reaffirms* section XX of resolution 61/276, and encourages the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and other United Nations missions in the region to continue, where possible, the efforts to achieve greater synergies, while bearing in mind that individual missions are responsible for the preparation and implementation of their own budgets and for controlling their own assets and logistical operations;

14. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276 and 64/____;

15. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

16. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

17. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009;[1]

Estimates for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010

18. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010 in a total amount not exceeding 215 million dollars for the operation of the Mission;

Financing of the commitment authority

19. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 184,949,000 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010, as set out in Assembly resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

20. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 2,737,000 dollars, representing the estimated staff assessment income approved for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2010;

Estimates for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

21. *Further decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad the amount of _____ dollars for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011, comprising _____ dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and _____ dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

22. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of _____ dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 64/249, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010 and 2011, as set out in its resolution 64/248;

23. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 22 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of _____ dollars, comprising the prorated share of _____ of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

24. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 19 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 31,270,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2009, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2009, as set out in Assembly resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

25. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 31,270,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2009, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 24 above;

26. *Also decides* that the decrease of 31,000 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2009 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 31,270,900 dollars referred to in paragraphs 24 and 25 above;

27. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

28. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

29. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as

appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

30. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad".